

# NDT

- Advanced Network Diagnostic Tool
- Report measured upload & download speeds
- Determine what problems are limiting speed i.e. client computer, home network, provider network, or testing server
- Identify if the network connection is behind a NAT
- Detect Firewall and possible end-to-end network settings

<http://e2epi.internet2.edu/ndt>

## User Results

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TCPIPv660 Network Diagnostic Tool v3.5.8
Click START to begin

--- Starting test 1 of 1 ---
Connecting to 'ndt.usu.edu:80 [measurement-lab.org] [ndt.usu.edu:80] [measurement-lab.org/2.7.463.../5] 10
Feb 1993
Connected to ndt.usu.edu [80] [measurement-lab.org] Using IPv4 address
Checking for NAT: Done
checking for firewalls: Done
running 100 inbound test (server-to-client) 5.44Mbps
running 100 outbound test (client-to-server) 13.70Mbps

Client System Details
OS type: Name = Mac OS X, Architecture = i386, Version = 10.5.8
JVM: Vendor = Apple Inc., Version = 1.5.0_20
```

# User Results

TCP/Web100 Network Diagnostic Tool v3.5.9  
click **START** to begin

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** Starting test 1 of 1 **
Connecting to 'ndt.iupui.1hr01.measurement-lab.org' [ndt.iupui.1hr01.measurement-lab.org/217.163.1.75] to
run test
Connected to ndt.iupui.1hr01.measurement-lab.org -- Using IPv4 address
Checking for Middleboxes ..... Done
checking for firewalls ..... Done
running 10s outbound test (client-to-server [C2S]) ..... 5.44Mb/s
running 10s inbound test (server-to-client [S2C]) ..... 13.70Mb/s
The slowest link in the end-to-end path is a 10 Mbps Ethernet subnet
Information. Other network traffic is congesting the link
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click **START** to re-test

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minCWNDpeak: 116864  
maxCWNDpeak: 1047552  
CWNDpeaks: 1

The theoretical network limit is 4.98 Mbps  
The NDT server has a 1095.0 KByte buffer which limits the throughput to 70.68 Mbps  
Your PC/Workstation has a 7280.0 KByte buffer which limits the throughput to 234.86 Mb/s  
The network based flow control limits the throughput to 33.00 Mbps

Client Data reports link is 'Ethernet', Client Acks report link is 'Ethernet'  
Server Data reports link is 'OC-48', Server Acks report link is 'T3'



[Detailed Statistics](#)

WEB100 Enabled Statistics:  
Checking for Middleboxes ..... Done  
checking for firewalls ..... Done  
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----- Web100 Detailed Analysis -----

10 Mbps Ethernet link found.  
Link set to Full Duplex mode  
Information: throughput is limited by other network traffic.  
Good network cable(s) found  
Normal duplex operation found.

Web100 reports the Round trip time = 242.17 msec, the Packet size = 1408 Bytes, and  
There were 89 packets retransmitted, 974 duplicate acks received, and 1033 SACK blocks recei  
The connection was idle 0 seconds (0%) of the time  
S2C throughput test. Packet queuing detected: 4.47%  
This connection is network limited 98.66% of the time.

Web100 reports TCP negotiated the optional Performance Settings to:  
RFC 2018 Selective Acknowledgment: ON  
RFC 896 Nagle Algorithm: ON  
RFC 3168 Explicit Congestion Notification: OFF  
RFC 1323 Time Stamping: ON  
RFC 1323 Window Scaling: ON: Scaling Factors - Server=8, Client=10

Server 'ndt.iupui.1hr01.measurement-lab.org' is not behind a firewall. [Connection to the epher  
Client is probably behind a firewall. [Connection to the ephemeral port failed]  
Information: Network Middlebox is modifying MSS variable  
Server IP addresses are preserved End-to-End  
Information: Network Address Translation (NAT) box is modifying the Client's IP address  
Server says [76.16.0.76] but Client says [192.168.1.26]

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Current data reports link is 'OC-48', Server Acks reports link is 'GigE', Server Data reports link is 'OC-48', Server Acks report link is 'T3'

# Researcher Results

NDT Usage Statistics - Current Test Results

Date/Time	Total Tests	Bottleneck Link	Theoretical Limit	C/S Speed	S/S Speed
Sep 24 19:08:33	2,04	DSL	4.11 Mbps	7.16 Mbps	6.90 Mbps

Packet Loss	Average RTT	Minimum RTT	Retransmit	Timeout	% Out-of-Order
0.055%	141.37 msec	129 msec	0.20	0.00	3.30

Send Buffer	BW*Delay	Receive Buffer	BW*Delay	Congestion Window	BW*Delay
6,902.0 Bytes	38.27 Mbps	201,390 Bytes	14.79 Mbps	871.20 Bytes	4.07 Mbps

### Bottleneck Link Type (Sub-Total)

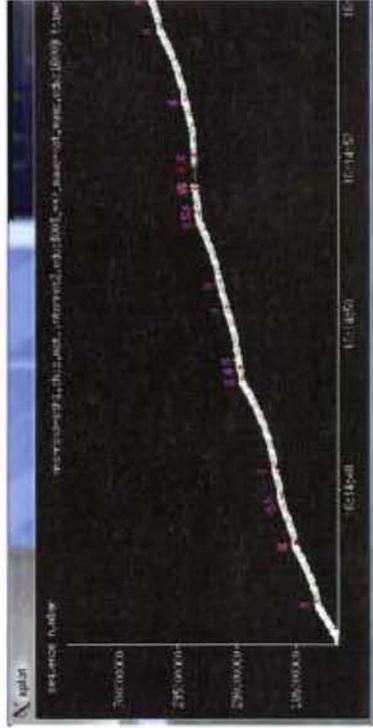
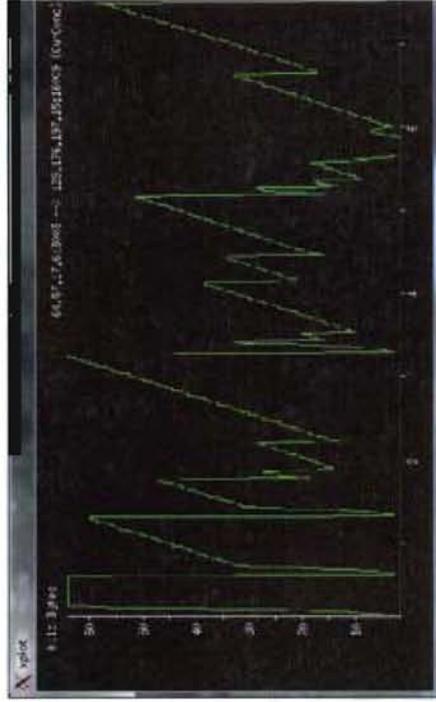
Link Type	Count
P	10644
E	17644
R	10644
C	10644
N	10644
T	0

Rate Type	Throughput Summary	Configuration Fault Summary	
Log Start	Jan 25 22:56:04 Client-to-Server	Server-to-Client	
Current	Sep 24 19:08:25	115 Mbps	6261 Mbps
Maximum	Sep 19 09:07:53	1110 Mbps	81251 Mbps
Minimum	Jan 9 18:03:13	0 Mbps	0 Mbps

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## Test conditions

Tester: 4.71.251.138 (4.71.251.138) [?]

Target: c-76-16-0-76.hsd1.il.comcast.net (76.16.0.76) [?]

Logfile base name: c-76-16-0-76.hsd1.il.comcast.net:2009-09-25-16:12:57 [?]

This report is based on a 5 Mb/s target application data rate [?]

This report is based on a 40 ms Round-Trip-Time (RTT) to the target application [?]

The Round Trip Time for this path section is 5.000000 ms.

The Maximum Segment Size for this path section is 1408 Bytes. [?]

Target host TCP configuration test: Pass! [?]

TCP negotiated appropriate options: WSCALE=8, SACKok, and Timestamps [?]

The target passed all tests! See tester caveat: [?]

## Path measurements [?]

Data rate test: Pass! [?]

Pass data rate check: maximum data rate was 15.803108 Mb/s [?]

Loss rate test: Pass! [?]

Pass: zero losses in 31879 packets, loss rate less than 0.003137%. [?]

FYI: To get 5 Mb/s with a 1408 byte MSS on a 40 ms path the total end-to-end loss budget is 0.1555213% (643 packets between losses). [?]

## Suggestions for alternate tests

FYI: This path may even pass with a more strenuous application: [?]

Try rate=5 Mb/s, rtt=281 ms

Try rate=15 Mb/s, rtt=89 ms

Or if you can raise the MTU: [?]

Try rate=5 Mb/s, rtt=1799 ms, mtu=9000 bytes

Try rate=15 Mb/s, rtt=569 ms, mtu=9000 bytes

Network buffering test: Pass! [?]

Pass: The network bottleneck has sufficient buffering (queue space) in routers and switches. [?]

Measured queue size, Pkts: 116 Bytes: 163328 [?]

This corresponds to a 105.755461 ms drain time. [?]

To get 5 Mb/s with on a 40 ms path, you need 25000 bytes of buffer space. [?]

The network path passed all tests! [?]

Tester validation: Pass! [?]

No internal tester problems were detected.

Tester version: \$Id: pathdiag.py,v 1.47 2009/06/10 21:19:57 mathis Exp \$

[\[Data\\_Rate\\_gnuplot\]](#)
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## Test from server npad.iupui.mlab1.ord01... to this machine

Round Trip Time (msec): 40

Start Test

Target Rate (Mbps): 5

### Log

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remote: Parameters based on 8 ms initial RTT
remote: peakwin=25589 minpackets=3 maxpackets=643 stepsize=64
remote: Target run length is 643 packets (or a loss rate of 0.15552100%)
remote: Test 1a (11 seconds): Coarse Scan
remote: Test 1b (11 seconds):
remote: Test 1c (11 seconds):
remote: Test 1d (11 seconds):
remote: Test 1e (11 seconds):
remote: Test 1f (11 seconds):

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# Glasnost

Determine if an ISP is blocking email, HTTP or SSH transfer, Flash video, and P2P apps including BitTorrent, eMule and Gnutella.

<http://broadband.mpi-sws.org/transparency/bttest-mlab.php>

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <http://broadband.mpi-sws.org/transparency/bttest-mlab.php>. The page title is "Glasnost: Test if your ISP is manipulating BitTorrent traffic". Below the title, there is a section titled "Default test results:" followed by the question "Is BitTorrent traffic on a well-known BitTorrent port (6881) throttled?". A list of test results is shown, indicating that all four completed BitTorrent and TCP transfers using the BitTorrent port 6881 were successful with no rate limiting. A table summarizes these results.

Transfer	Speed TCP	Speed BitTorrent	Conclusion
Download #0	3710 Kbps	3628 Kbps	No rate limiting
Download #1	4094 Kbps	4058 Kbps	No rate limiting
Download #2	4034 Kbps	4052 Kbps	No rate limiting
Download #3	3974 Kbps	4135 Kbps	No rate limiting
Download #4	4019 Kbps	3822 Kbps	No rate limiting

Is BitTorrent traffic on a non-standard BitTorrent port (10009) throttled?

- Completed BitTorrent and TCP transfers using the non-BitTorrent port 10009



## Glasnost: Test if your ISP is manipulating BitTorrent traffic

### Detailed test results:

#### Is BitTorrent traffic on a well-known BitTorrent port (6881) throttled?

##### Completed BitTorrent and TCP transfers using the BitTorrent port 6881:

Transfer	Speed TCP	Speed BitTorrent	Conclusion
Download #0	3710 Kbps	3928 Kbps	No rate limiting
Download #1	4094 Kbps	4056 Kbps	No rate limiting
Download #2	4054 Kbps	4052 Kbps	No rate limiting
Download #3	3978 Kbps	4135 Kbps	No rate limiting
Download #4	4019 Kbps	3922 Kbps	No rate limiting

- Our test runs BitTorrent and TCP downloads as well as uploads on a well-known BitTorrent port and a non-BitTorrent port.
- Note to all users:** To allow accurate measurements you should stop any large downloads that might run in the background.
- If you are interested in a more detailed description of our test suite and its detection techniques, please [read on here](#).
- [Contact Us](#) To work around a unique policy setting in Apple's Java we had to sign our Java Applet for MacOS X. To do this test, you have to "trust" the applet in the popup window that will appear once you start the test.

- Detailed upstream test (~ 20 minutes)
- Detailed downstream test (~ 20 minutes)
- Test uploads and downloads (~ 40 minutes)

[Start testing](#)

#### Is BitTorrent traffic on a non-standard BitTorrent port (10009) throttled?

##### Completed BitTorrent and TCP transfers using the non-BitTorrent port 10009:

Transfer	Speed TCP	Speed BitTorrent	Conclusion
Download #0	4221 Kbps	3996 Kbps	No rate limiting
Download #1	3191 Kbps	4439 Kbps	No rate limiting
Download #2	4122 Kbps	4089 Kbps	No rate limiting
Download #3	3957 Kbps	4217 Kbps	No rate limiting
Download #4	4279 Kbps	4415 Kbps	No rate limiting

# Pathload2

Measures available bandwidth

- Reports “Raw” bps capacity independent of transport or application protocol

<http://www.cc.gatech.edu/fac/Constantinos.Dovrolis/Papers/NetDov0248.pdf>

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Terminal — 92x36
Last login: Fri Sep 18 12:45:15 on ttys002
/Users/rcarlson/bin/pathload2 ; exit;
nereid-2:~ rcarlson$ /Users/rcarlson/bin/pathload2 ; exit;
Connecting to selected N-lab server.
Connected to NLab Server: 38.102.0.67
Measuring Upstream Available Bandwidth
Sending fleet 0, Probing Rate 6.56 Mbps #####
Sending fleet 1, Probing Rate 9.84 Mbps #####
Sending fleet 2, Probing Rate 8.21 Mbps #####
Sending fleet 3, Probing Rate 7.39 Mbps #####
Sending fleet 4, Probing Rate 6.97 Mbps #####
Sending fleet 5, Probing Rate 7.17 Mbps #####
Sending fleet 6, Probing Rate 3.28 Mbps #####

Measuring Downstream Available Bandwidth
Receiving Fleet 0, Probing Rate 16.29Mbps #####
Receiving Fleet 1, Probing Rate 8.29Mbps #####
Receiving Fleet 2, Probing Rate 12.41Mbps #####
Receiving Fleet 3, Probing Rate 14.48Mbps #####
Receiving Fleet 4, Probing Rate 15.59Mbps ##
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Last login: Fri Sep 18 12:45:15 on ttys002
/Users/rcarlson/bin/pathload2 ; exit;
nereid-2:~ rcarlson$ /Users/rcarlson/bin/pathload2 ; exit;
Connecting to selected M-lab server.
Connected to MLab Server: 38.102.0.87
Measuring Upstream Available Bandwidth
Sending fleet 0, Probing Rate 6.56 Mbps #####
Sending fleet 1, Probing Rate 9.84 Mbps #####
Sending fleet 2, Probing Rate 8.21 Mbps #####
Sending fleet 3, Probing Rate 7.39 Mbps #####
Sending fleet 4, Probing Rate 6.97 Mbps #####
Sending fleet 5, Probing Rate 7.17 Mbps #####
Sending fleet 6, Probing Rate 3.28 Mbps #####
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Receiving Fleet 2, Probing Rate 12.41Mbps #####
Receiving Fleet 3, Probing Rate 14.48Mbps #####
Receiving Fleet 4, Probing Rate 15.59Mbps ##
Receiving Fleet 5, Probing Rate 15.87Mbps #####
Measurement completed.
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\*\*\*\* RESULT \*\*\*\*

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Upstream Measurement (towards the Internet)
Available bandwidth range : 3.28 - 7.38 (Mbps)
Measurement duration : 26.48 sec
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```
Downstream Measurement (from the Internet)
Available bandwidth range : 15.28 - 15.59 (Mbps).
Measurement duration : 21.54 sec.
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For more information about available bandwidth measurement,
please see: http://www.pathrate.org
logout
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[Process completed]
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# Sidestream

- Collect TCP details (web100 variables) from regular web traffic on a client computer
- Collects information as a byproduct of general client network usage
- No special test stream required
- A way to evaluate, compare, and validate other active test results

<http://www.measurementlab.net/news/2010/jan/19/side-stream-experiment>

# Windrider

Attempts to detect whether your mobile broadband provider is performing application or service specific differentiation, i.e. prioritizing or slowing traffic to certain websites, applications, or content.

<http://www.cs.northwestern.edu/~ict992/mobile.htm>

# ShaperProbe

Detects whether your ISP performs "traffic shaping" in either the upload or download directions. In the even of shapping, ShaperProbe reports the shaping rate and the "maximum burst size" before shaping begins.

<http://www.cc.gatech.edu/~partha/diffprobe/shaperprobe.html>

# Test Client Interfaces For Users

## In Web Browser



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- Latency
- jitter

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## Mobile Devices



[ern.edu/~ict992/mobile.htm](http://ern.edu/~ict992/mobile.htm)

## M-Lab Hosted Tools

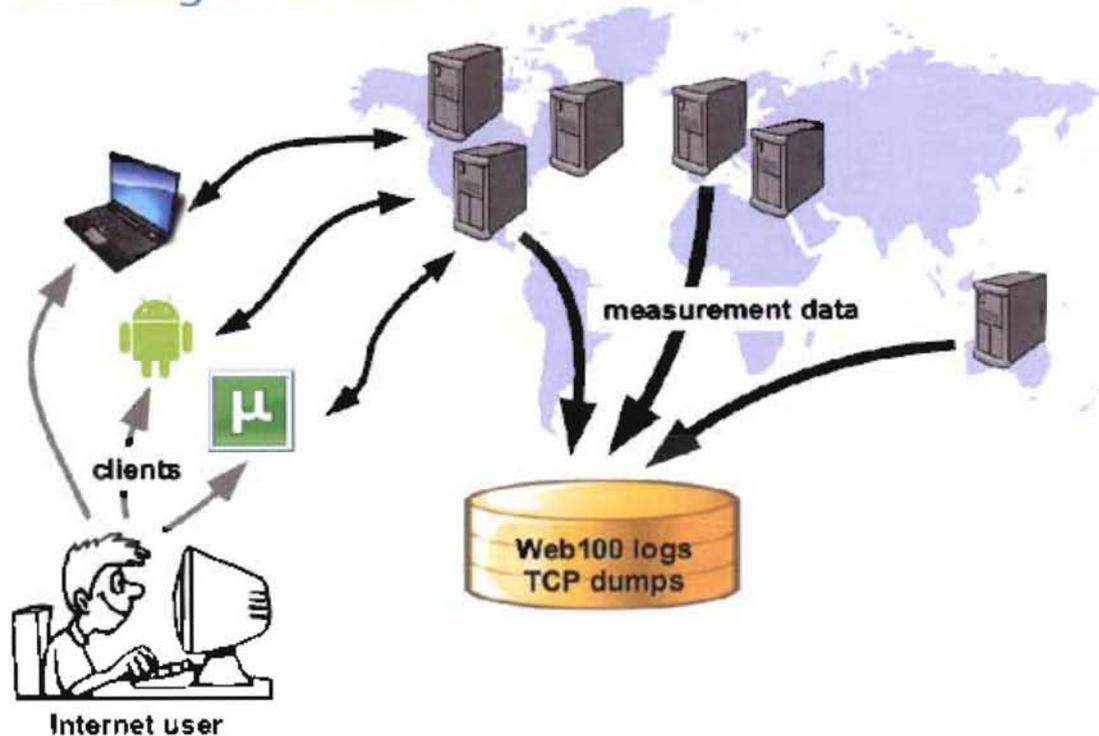
Enabling deep critical data analysis with  
transparent and open source tools and  
methodologies

# Open Data

All data collected through M-Lab is intended to be made publicly available and placed in the public domain either immediately or after an optional 1 year embargo

Collecting over 60TB of Data

## Collecting over 60TB of Data



- Raw measurement data (web100 and TCPdump logs) is created when a user runs a tool hosted on M-Lab
- Raw data is stored locally on each M-Lab node
- Separate data collecting servers regularly collect all raw data
- M-Lab tools consolidate raw data and re-format for 3rd party services
- Formatted test records are pushed to Amazon's EC2 and Google BigQuery

<http://measurementlab.org/news/2009/dec/10/calling-all-researchers-m-lab-data-now-available-amazon-ec2>

<http://www.measurementlab.org/news/2010/jun/18/more-good-thing-analyze-and-access-m-lab-data-using-google-bigquery-and-google-stor>

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## We Need You!

- M-Lab depends on the contribution of se . . . . .



# We Need You!

- M-Lab depends on the contribution of servers and connectivity from academic and industrial partners
- Develop a unique tool that can run on the M-Lab platform
- Data storage partners
- Visualization/Infographic developers

A collaborative effort: we welcome support from researchers, institutions, and companies that share M-Lab's goals

<http://www.measurementlab.org/getinvolved>

# Measurement Lab (M-Lab)

<http://www.measurementlab.org>

Measurement Lab: Overview and an Invitation to the Research Community

C. Dovrolis, K. Gummadi, A. Kuzmanovic, S. D. Meinrath (June 2010)

<http://ccr.sigcomm.org/online/files/p53-3v40n3m-dovrolisPS.pdf>